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Field day fun



Master Sgt. Penny Boggis, 21st Mission Support Squadron, plays a sewing game with children from James Monroe Elementary during the school's field day June 6. The game was a race to see which team could 'sew' themselves together first, by running a string through the sleeves of each participant. Boggis was one of several volunteers from Peterson Air Force Base who helped out at the event.

Wing CC talks AEF, priorities and leadership during commander's call

By Capt Brenda Campbell

Brig. Gen. Robert Kehler, 21st Space Wing commander, held his latest set of commander's calls last week.

During the four sessions, he discussed everything from the new Air Force and wing visions to operational readiness inspection preparation.

Kehler first addressed the new Air Force vision. "Last year we added Global Vigilance to the Air Force vision, so now the Air Force vision is Global Vigilance, Power and Reach," he said.

"This change is significant because Global Vigilance is what we do in the 21st Space Wing," Kehler said. "Many units contribute to Global Vigilance, but we are the only unit with our eyes on the entire globe every minute.

There are two basic concepts the Air Force is using to achieve this new vision, Kehler said. "We are an expeditionary aerospace force with a minimum forward presence and rapid deployment capabilities," he said.

"And we are also moving toward complete aerospace integration. We are creating a seamless operational medium in

which commanders choose the best platform to get the mission done.

The 21st SW revamped its wing vision earlier this year to fit the Air Force vision. It is "First in the fight - providing space superiority and the eyes of global vigilance."

"To be first in the fight we have to do a few things. We need to upgrade our capabilities, bring the Space Based Infrared System on line and modernize

"We also need to integrate ourselves into the fight," Kehler said. "One of the ways we have started doing this is by revamping our battle staff and how we approach the fight from wing level."

"We are also working to better understand the needs of the theater warfighters. We are creating a weapons and tactics flight to look at how we can better integrate into the air missions."

The general passed on a list of current wing priorities including the transition of Buckley Air Force Base to an air base wing and the transition of the battle staff.

The general spoke at length about the upcoming operational readiness inspec-

"I know most of the preparation hap-

pens at the unit level, not at the wing level."

"One of the most important things is for our people to be proficient. You need to ask yourself do you know what you are doing or what you are supposed to do."

For additional preparation items, the general encouraged everyone to review the inspector general Web page at https://midway.peterson.af.mil/21sw/ig and the recently revised command supplement for AFI 90-201.

Kehler shared some of his leadership thoughts including:

- Know your mission and what it takes to accomplish it
- Replace I and mine with we and ours, make everyone part of the team
 - Don't walk past a problem
 - Pay attention to details
- Enjoy your time as a leader, have some fun

Toward the end of the hour the general once again expressed his appreciation to everyone who worked hard preparing for Corona.

"You all did a great job transitioning the base to how it looks today," he said. "I am disappointed we are not having Corona because I know our people and our base were ready to shine.

Memorial services conducted for Peterson fire chief

Michael J. Kern, Peterson Air Force Base fire chief, died Monday at Memorial Hospital, Colorado Springs. Mr. Kern was the PAFB fire chief for a little over a year. A retired Air Force senior master sergeant, he is survived by his wife, and his three daughters. Memorial services were held yesterday morning at the Peterson Chapel.



Photo by Tech. Sqt. Jim Varhed

An Air Force welcome

Dr. James G. Roche, secretary of the Air Force (right), and his host, Gen, Michael E. Ryan, Air Force chief of staff (left), inspect the troops June 6 at **Bolling Air Force** Base, D.C., during a full honors review and welcome ceremony for the new secretary. Roche was sworn in as the 20th secretary of the Air Force on June 1.

Understand TRICARE rules, take advantage of your benefits

By Col. Boyce Burley III Chief, AFSPC Mission Teams

It was Christmas Day last year and our family was skiing at a resort in Colorado. It was a wonderful family outing in a perfect setting. Then my 21-year-old son fell on the slope, hit a tree and our family's life turned upside down.

My son sustained a head injury that required brain surgery and a month's hospital stay. He is expected to fully recover but it's a long road until that day.

It's a happy ending, but it could have been a personal financial disaster, as well as a medical ordeal. It wasn't however, because my other family came in to help – my Air Force family.

We take this family for granted and become accustomed to the benefits we receive – paychecks, 30 days of leave a year and medical benefits. We just assume that the Air Force family will be there as a safety net in case anything goes wrong in our lives. That's what I assumed.

However, working with our medical and personnel people after the accident, we discovered there are TRICARE rules that, if ignored, could prove disastrous for a family in a similar situation.

Understanding TRICARE eligibility rules is especially critical for people with college age children. Did you know that dependents must be full-time college students the semester before their 21st birthday to remain eligible for medical coverage? Many dependents work while they attend college and may not be

aware that medical care eligibility requires a minimum number of credit hours. Also, once a dependent turns 21 his or her military ID card expires and certain criteria must be met before a new card is issued.

Understanding all the rules will enable you to make the system work for you.

In our case, our prayers were answered and everything worked out, both medically and financially. But we saw how easily it could have been otherwise had we not understood and followed the requirements.

I hope you never have first-hand knowledge of the rules like we did. But if you do you can prepare yourself: Don't take your benefits for granted. Understand the rules. With simple precautions, you can help ensure that the Air Force family can take care of its own. They sure took care of us.

Action line

Submitting Action Lines

The Action Line (556-7777 or by fax: 556-7848) is your direct link to me. It provides an avenue for you to voice concerns over unsolved problems, share good ideas or provide some constructive criticism.



Brig. Gen. Bob Kehler

As a reminder, the Action Line is not a replacement for using your chain of command. Action Lines can help make the Peterson Complex and the wing a better place to live and work.

Q. Can something be done about the noise from the radios around the commissary parking lot on the weekends? I was in the commissary parking lot at 5:30 on Saturday morning and I could hear somebody's radio clear across the parking lot. I was wondering if the security forces could write tickets or give them warnings or crack down on loud noise. Thank you.

A. Thank you for your call. The security forces do enforce noise ordinances. If you feel the noise ordinance is being broken, call 556-4000 and a patrol will respond. If you have any further questions, please call Lt. Col Michael Trapp, 21st Security Forces Squadron commander at 556-4800.

Minor error could mean major consequences

By William Stark
14th Air Force chief of safety

VANDENBERG AIR FORCE BASE, Calif. — It was May 24, just over a year ago, when I saw the practical value of buckling up.

I was a passenger during a routine commute to work when another car blew a red light at 55 mph, entered the intersection and collided with us. Both cars were totaled, but because of seatbelts and airbags everyone involved walked out of the emergency room that morning. We were somewhat stiff, but we had learned a valuable lesson: Be aware of other vehicles, even if you have the right of way.

The practical value of occupant protection was indelibly reinforced as well. I still can't get over how, at the moment of impact, the airbag vaporized the newspaper I was reading. No joke - turned it into dust. And the belt left a nifty bruise across my chest that hurt like the dickens for weeks. But the airbag and seatbelt did their job.

The wreck was a simple human error with major consequences. Well-designed restraints kept it from being a fatality. As long as humans operate automobiles, minor errors will continue to result in close calls, fender-benders, and total losses and, for nearly 32,000 Americans each year, death. We know that number could be about 10,000 fewer if seatbelts are used.

May 11, a master sergeant was driving her family from Patrick AFB, Fla., to her next assignment at Vandenberg AFB. She was momentarily distracted from driving, a minor error many of us commonly make.

Recognizing she was drifting into the right lane, she overcorrected to the left, and left the highway at

the right lane, she overcorrected to the left, and left the highway at high speed, causing the vehicle to roll over in the soft shoulder of the median. At that point, she was ejected and fatally injured.

The highway patrol representatives said it was a survivable mishap had the driver worn her seatbelt. Three children are now motherless. A husband is now a widower. A valuable Air Force member is lost forever.

Most of you already know the value of buckling up. Air Force seatbelt surveys routinely record base-wide use at nearly 100 percent. This is not so in the rest of the United States where the usage rate is about 71 percent. About 60 million adults and children ride unbuckled every day. It may seem that Air Force safety education efforts need only focus on our new recruits - those young folks entering a world where the

Air Force mandates use of protective devices. However, that assumption is wrong. Last year 26 Air Force people were killed in traffic mishaps and half of them were not wearing seatbelts. Were they new recruits? Many were younger folks, but it might surprise you to know others were old enough to have known better.

The Air Force Safety Center at Kirtland AFB, N.M., tracks all the Air Force mishap statistics. Data distilled from their records tells us the Air Force traffic fatality rate is half that of the national average (which is 15 fatalities per 100,000 people.) You might expect our rate to be much lower. After all, while the Air Force does represent the broad spectrum of the American population, our people represent the best of the nation. However, like America atlarge, in the Air Force traffic mishaps are the leading cause of preventable deaths.

Can we improve our chances for survival? You bet. It all boils down to this: without a seatbelt the chances are one in three you'll be killed if involved in a major mishap. The simple act of buckling up betters the odds to one in 18

Not wearing a belt could be a minor error, but the result of not wearing one is of major consequence. News SPACE OBSERVER 3



Out with the old

June 25, the new traffic lights at the intersection of Paine Street and Stewart Avenue (background) will be operational. The existing lights at Otis Street and Stewart Avenue (foreground) will be flashing with priority given to Stewart Avenue. The lights at Otis Street and Stewart Avenue will remain in a flashing mode for one week and will be removed on or about July 2.

AEF prepares for evolutionary changes

WASHINGTON — While the first two aerospace expeditionary force cycles focused on early notification, predictability and stability for Air Force people, Cycle 3 will concentrate on team-oriented deployments.

"We pretty much relied on 'brute force' to get off the ground and went right into the execution phase (in the first aerospace expeditionary force cycle)," said Col. Walter Burns, commander of the Aerospace Expeditionary Force Center at Langley Air Force Base, Va. "By the end of Cycle 1, the 120-day deployment notification goal was fine-tuned, and we've improved on that during Cycle 2."

The 15-month Cycle 2 began in December and runs through February. AEF officials noticed in Cycle 2 that the current "unit type codes" - positions grouped together to provide specific warfighting capabilities - were designed to meet the nation's strategy of being able to fight two major theater wars at the same time.

"They were all very large UTCs," Burns said, and were in contrast to the much smaller needs of ongoing requirements like operations Southern Watch and Northern Watch. So UTCs are being redesigned to reflect the demands of the current world environment.

The redesign effort focuses on building modular, scalable UTCs that allow force providers to respond to the full spectrum of military operations. With smaller, scalable UTCs, many of the teams deploying for AEF Cycle 3 will come from a single base, rather than individual members deploying from many bases, Burns said.

"Before, you would have seven or eight different bases providing one or two or three people to go over to do the work in a particular shop," Burns said. "The team developed after they got off the plane and reported for duty. There was no coherent team aspect there. That's what we're trying to fix right

Currently, deployment taskings for a large Air Force wing are spread across all 10 AEFs that make up a

"A base like Langley would have people on the road all the time," Burns said. "But now, our goal is to tap a wing hard once, and then not so hard during a second on-call period. This will keep bases such as Langley and Shaw from being deployed all the time.'

The teaming concept also means most expeditionary combat support troops will travel at the same time as the aircrew and maintainers in their unit. Burns said one of the challenges is to define the maximum team contribution a wing can provide before home operations are affected.

"We're telling folks that you have to expect some pain, but we don't want to break a wing," he said.

Burns said airmen need to be aware of the changes.

As the Air Force transitions to the Cycle 3 teaming concept with more specific assignments, some people who are in AEF 5 and 6 may be moved into AEF 7 and 8, or AEF 9 and 10, said

Burns.
"So there will be a short-term impact on predictability and stability," Burns said. "But wing officials can help mitigate this issue."

For example, he said, if an airman is moved to an earlier AEF and that creates a problem, the squadron commander could identify a replacement. The commander could then put the airman in an "available to deploy" category.

"We want to be upfront and tell the field that, yes, there may be some impact, but this is an evolutionary improvement in the AEF process. In the long run, this will benefit everyone," Burns said.

Additionally, AEFC officials are working to expand the number of people in the AEF library - or pool who are available to deploy from 120,000 to 200,000 airmen. This leaves a larger number of people to choose from, reducing the impact on individuals and bases, Burns said.

The current effort to expand the AEF library will make it easier for the Air Force to support joint exercises out of the library, said the AEFC command-

Once the 200,000 goal is reached, the AEF will be able to source largescale overseas exercises, such as the biennial exercise Bright Star, from the AEF libraries. The Air Force will test this concept this fall by using some oncall forces in Bright Star.

"If you are in your AEF window and you're available to deploy, it could now mean your deployment could be to

Operation Northern Watch, Operation Southern Watch, the Balkans or Bright Star," Burns said.

Security forces deployments highlight one example of the benefits of this change. Previously, security forces would deploy for about 70 days for Bright Star during their training cycle and then turn around and have to deploy to the desert when they were in their AEF window.

"This blew their personnel tempo goals out the window," Burns said. When you're a security force troop, the last thing you want is to do is to go to a large-scale exercise like Bright Star and then a few months later, go to an extensive deployment in the desert.'

With the Cycle 3 kick off in March 2002, there are many pressing challenges ahead. Getting the UTCs sized correctly and expanding the AEF library are top priorities.

"We want to eventually get the AEF into a repeating rhythm of activity. We want to continue to improve quality of life, enhance our retention efforts and make deployments better for our airmen," he said.

Burns said that education is also part of improving AEF operations. This summer, the AEF center's outreach teams will travel to Air Force bases to talk about the changes for Cycle 3. This will be an opportunity to get direct feedback from the field and highlight key AEF updates. When it's available, a schedule of base visits will be posted on the center's Web site at http://aefc.langley.af.mil.

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Legal office releases April Articles 15, courts martial

courts martial and Article 15 actions for April.

COURTS-MARTIAL

A staff sergeant assigned to 12th Space Warning Squadron, at Thule Air Base, Greenland, was tried by general court-martial for violation of

128, UCMJ, assault. The ac guilty to assault with a dea guilty to a lesser-included of summated by a battery. T guilty of the lesser-inoffense of assault consum The court sentenced the mem six months confinement, re tion to airman basic and to forfeiture of all pay ar allowances.

ARTICLE 15s

An airman first class assigned to 721st Communications Sauad received an Article 15 for tw lations of Article 92, UCM general order, sending, stori mitting obscene material on er, and wrongfully using and or identity without appropri or permission. The member reduction to the rank of sei and a reprimand.

An airman first class assigned to 12th SWS received an Article 15 for violation of Article 134, UCMJ, drunk and disorderly. The member received a suspended reduction to the rank of airman and forfeitures of \$100 pay per month for two months.

A senior airman assigned to 721st Civil

The base legal office recently announced Engineer Squadron received an Article 15 for two violations of Article 134, UCMJ, dishonorable failure to pay debt, (government travel card). The member received a suspended reduction to the rank of airman first class and forfeitures of \$150 pay per month for

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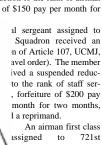
5 for three violations of MJ, disorderly conduct, nappropriate comments The member received

forfeitures of \$200 and a reprimand. An airman first class assigned to 821st Support Squadron received an Article 15, for violation of Article 86, UCMJ, fail to go. The member received a

(Courtesy 21st SW legal office)

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of \$100 a month for two months and a reprimand.



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Pikes Peak Lodge competes for Innkeeper award

By Capt. David Andino-Aquino 21st SVS Combat Support Flight commande

The 21st Services Squadron's Pikes Peak Lodge will compete for the Air Force Innkeeper award this week. The award recognizes the top lodging operation in the Air

Starting Monday, a team of three Air Force evaluators will begin inspecting all facets of lodging operations from housekeeping to financial management. Pikes Peak Lodge personnel have been preparing for this inspection through combined efforts with the Civil Engineer and Communications squadrons.

The Pikes Peak Lodge operation has enhanced quality of life for guests through addition of new high-speed Internet connections in all rooms, renovated kitchens and bathrooms, and new furniture.

The Innkeeper Award will be presented in New York City at the Annual International Hotel/Motel and Restaurant Show in



5th Space Surveillance Squadron tracks deep, near space objects

Located about 70 miles northeast of London in the rural town of Feltwell resides the "Griffins" of the 5th Space Surveillance Squadron. The 5th SPSS, with support from Detachment 4, 18th Intelligence Squadron and Lockheed Martin, collectively operate, support and maintain the Deep Space Tracking System and Low Altitude Space Surveillance System, providing round-the-clock surveillance of both deep and near space.

The 5th SPSS conducts passive space surveillance as part of a worldwide network of sensors that locates and tracks deep space and low altitude satellites in support of space control and force enhancement missions. The 5th's data, along with data from other sensors of the Space Surveillance Network, is compiled into a catalog of man-made objects in space. As part of this network the squadron directly contributes to the 21st Space Wing's vision of providing the United States and its allies with space superiority and the "eyes of global vigilance" 24hours-a-day, 7-days-a-week.

To accomplish its complex mission, the 5th SPSS operates five tracking antennas. They track satellites from 300 miles above the earth's surface to over 22,300 nautical miles out in space.

The unit "passively" tracks the satellites orbiting overhead. A passive system gets its name because, unlike radar tracking systems, the antennas at the 5th SPSS do not transmit any radar signals. Instead, the site passively locates satellites by tracking the signals emitted by the satellites.

As the large antennas track these signals, precise positional data is recorded and marked with an exact time. The data is then translated into what is known as time, elevation and azimuth data—often thought of as a satellite's address in space. This data then goes to the 1st Command and Control Squadron located in Cheyenne Mountain Air Force Station.

As a geographically separated unit, 5th SPSS relies on its host wing, the 48th Fighter Wing, for base support which would be available from the 21st Space Wing if the unit were located on Peterson AFB. The 48th Fighter Wing is the only unit in the Air Force to have an official name along with its numerical designation: the Liberty Wing.

"The 48th Fighter Wing provides us world-class support on a daily basis," said Lt Col John Raymond, 5th SPSS commander. "One of our stated squadron goals is to be the number one associate unit of this premier wing."

The DSTS team lives up to this goal. The Liberty Wing fosters great community involvement and the people at the 5th SPSS regularly join in planned activities.

"Several of our members have served as officers in the Liberty Wing's Company Grade Officers' Council and in the Liberty Wing Top 3 Association," said Senior Master Sgt. Cal Hagan, 5th SPSS first sergeant.

Staff Sgt. James Wallace, a system evaluator, said, "For the last two years we have briefed space activity and satellite operations to students at Feltwell Middle School during its project activities. We were very well received by the students and teachers alike."

And annually, the site transforms its radome into a jack-o-lantern, which has become a staple of the community's festive arrangements each Halloween.

The Griffin's have continued a squadron legacy of excellence, and many unit members have won distinguished awards over the past year.

In May, the squadron represented the 21st SW during the 2001 Guardian Challenge competition at Vandenberg AFB, Calif. The 5th SPSS team captured first place as Best Space Operations Crew in AFSPC. The top ops crew consisted of Capt. Bruce Krapovicky, Tech. Sgt. Collin Mahoney, Staff Sgt. Jeremy Bair, Staff Sgt. Steve Lyon and Staff Sgt. Kevin Moser.

"However, the greatest part of the Guardian Challenge event competition was being part of the 21st SW team that won the Aldridge Trophy for the Best Space Operations

Wing in AFSPC," Raymond said.

In March, the Interagency OPSEC support staff announced that the 5th SPSS OPSEC program was second best in the nation. The program manager, Tech. Sgt. Mike Anthony, earned recognition as the number two OPSEC program manager in the nation.

Unit personnel also received 2001
AFSPC level awards.
Tech. Sgt. Kathy
McKee-Braswell was named Air Force Space
Command Information
Assurance Professional of the Year, and Staff
Sgt. Jason Stillabower was named AFSPC
Enlisted Line Space
Instructor/Evaluator of

In the past two months, the Air Force selected roughly 10 percent of the squadron's NCOs for commissioning programs. Tech. Sgt. Wes Gilley was selected for officer training school and staff sergeants Steve and Tiffany Lyon were accepted for the professional officers course-early release program, a one-year ROTC program.

"The 5th SPSS is a selectively-manned unit comprised of the best Air Force Space Command has to offer," Raymond said, "and all these awards are just an indicator of the quality of personnel in Air Force Space Command."

5th Space Surveillance Squadron, RAF Feltwell, UK

"When you put all this together—great mission, great people and outstanding support from the 21st Space Wing and the Liberty Wing—you get the world's greatest space surveillance

(Courtesy of 5th SPSS)

squadron," he added.



Courtesy p

Aerial view of the 5th Space Surveillance Squadron, RAF Feltwell, UK

Military taxpayers eligible for refund too

WASHINGTON -- If you owed federal income taxes for 2000, a check for up to \$600 will be in the mail for you by September.

Lt. Col. Thomas K. Emswiler, executive director of the Armed Forces Tax Council in the office of the assistant secretary of defense for force management policy, said military members are as eligible as other taxpayers for the federal refund that has made headlines recently.

The tax bill just signed by the president created a new tax bracket of 10 percent and made the rate retroactive to Jan. 1, he said. In the past, the lowest tax rate was 15 percent, so the 5 percent reduction will allow most taxpayers to get a refund.

The law provides that the mailing of refunds will start in July and be complete by the end of September. Plans now call for the first checks to be mailed on July 20 and the last batch on Sept. 28. Taxpayers will receive letters in July explaining how much to expect and when.

Anyone who had a federal tax liability for 2000 is eligible providing they were not claimed as someone else's dependent, Emswiler said.

Liability means owing more than the amount of nonrefundable credits, such as education and childcare credit. Refundable credits, such as the earned income tax credit, don't count for determining eligibility or the amount of the refund.

"If you filed a joint return last year and had at least \$12,000 in taxable income, you'll receive a \$600 refund," he said. "That \$600 represents the difference between taxing \$12,000 at 15 percent and taxing it at 10 percent as provided for under the new law.

"If you filed as head of household last year and had at least \$10,000 in taxable income, you'll get a refund of \$500. Most taxpayers who filed as single last year and had at least \$6,000 in taxable income will get a refund of \$300," he continued.

Persons claimed as dependents, such as chil-

dren, college students and elderly parents, receive no refund. Further, Emswiler said, the refunds he cited are maximums -- persons who reported less than the threshold incomes will receive proportionally smaller refunds

"But as long as you had some tax liability in 2000, you'll get a refund," he said.

Eligible taxpayers need only ensure the Internal Revenue Service has their correct mailing address, Emswiler said. Servicemembers should notify the post office of moves or file IRS Form 8822, "Change of Address." with the IRS.

The IRS plan is to issue refunds according to the last two digits of taxpayers' Social Security numbers, he said. Refunds for those with "00" will be among the earliest checks mailed in July; "99s" will be among the last in September. The process is scheduled to take three months because 96 million checks are involved.

(Courtesy of American Forces Press Service)

News Briefs

Promotions

Staff Sgt. Timothy J. Brister, 10th Space Warning Squadron, Cavalier Air Force Station, N.D., was selected for promotion to technical sergeant and Marcus J. Ellis, 10th SWS, was selected for promotion to master sergeant.

Correction: Staff Sgt. Phornsawon Locke, Headquarters Air Force Space Command, was selected for promotion to technical sergeant. She was mis-identified in the original list.

21st Comptroller Squadron change of command

The 21st Comptroller Squadron will change command during a ceremony Monday, 10 a.m., at the enlisted club. Finance customer service will be minimumly staffed 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. for the ceremony. For more information call 556-4770.

Airman's Attic closes

The Airman's Attic, normally open Wednesdays from 10 a.m.-2 p.m., will be closed for the next three weeks (June 20 and 27, and July 4). It will re-open normal hours July 11. People who have emergency needs are reminded to contact their first sergeants for assistance. People who would like to make a donation must wait until the Attic reopens, or donate to another source, and are asked to not leave donations in the stairwell.

DoD slows anthrax vaccination program again

By Jim Garamone

American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — DoD is further curtailing the anthrax immunization program due to inadequate supplies of the vaccine, DoD officials said June 11.

Effective immediately only service members assigned to "special mission units" will receive the six-shot series.

The action is necessary because of delays in DoD receiving FDA-approved vaccine from Bioport, the sole source of the vaccine.

Officials said they expect the Food and Drug Administration to approve Bioport, based in Lansing, Mich., for full production no later than March 2002, said Marine Maj. Gen. Randall West, special assistant to the deputy secretary of defense for chemical and biological protection. "We have not yet been able to reestablish the supply of certified safe and effective vaccine to continue the program on the schedule," West said during an interview with American Forces Information Service.

He said the contractor is working to get FDA approval of the new expanded Bioport manufacturing facility. There are only about 30,000 doses of vaccine available for use now.

DoD will conserve the dwindling supply of approved vaccine until the Bioport facility is approved. West said only small special operations units, people working on research and some congressionally mandated studies will continue to receive the vaccine.

This is the third slowdown for the immunization program. In December 1999, DoD stopped inoculating service members other than those deploying to Korea and the Persian Gulf. In November 2000, DoD stopped inoculating service members bound for Korea. Now service members deploying to Southwest Asia will stop receiving the vaccine.

"I wish we had enough vaccine available to continue the protocols and to continue vaccinating all of our people deploying there," West said.

About 13,000 U.S. service members are deployed to Southwest Asia. DoD and U.S. Central Command will have sufficient antibiotics on hand for post-exposure treatment in case of an attack.

"We'll also have to rely in an even greater way on our forms of protections: chemical/biological protection suits, detectors, intelligence collection and gathering," West said.

West said, in his opinion, it is imperative that DoD resumes the vaccination regime as soon as possible. "The sooner we can provide this vaccination protection to the entire force, the better I'll sleep at night," he said. "The weaponized form of anthrax can be delivered by several munitions, is a very deadly threat. You can't see this, you can't smell it, you can't taste it, it's very difficult to detect and if you haven't been vaccinated, by the time you detect symptoms of anthrax, it's too late to save a person's life."

Service members who've begun the vaccination regime will not have to start over when the vaccine comes available. "Fortunately, even a couple of shots provide some resistance to anthrax," West said. "They'll be able to start the protocols where they left off.

"When we do have the vaccine replenished the first place the vaccine will go is Southwest Asia," West said. "Army Gen. Tommie Franks (commander, U.S. Central Command) is very concerned about this slowdown." News SPACE OBSERVER Friday, June 15, 2001



The aircraft shown here is the only F-16 in the world that is currently equipped with a conformal fuel tank. Tank testing is currently being conducted at Eglin Air Force Base, Fla. The tank, which form fits into the top of the fuselage of the aircraft, can carry about 3,000 pounds of additional fuel.

nnovative fuel tanks add range to F-16s

EGLIN AIR FORCE BASE, Fla. — The Air Force and Lockheed-Martin are working together to develop a new fuel tank that increases F-16 fighter aircraft fuel capacity without reducing armament space.

The fuel tanks - called "conformal" because they form fit to the top of the F-16 fuselage - can carry an additional 3,000 pounds of fuel, said Steve Barter, Lockheed-Martin conformal fuel tank project pilot.

the F-16, without taking out an underwing station where the external fuel tanks that are carried on the F-16 now reside," Barter said. "Alternately, it allows us to add even more fuel by carrying fuel under the wings.'

The tanks will be installed on new Block 50 F-16s bound for Greece and later on new Block 60 F-16s headed for the United Arab Emirates.

The F-16 conformal fuel tank proj-

"The tanks add additional range to ect started more than five years ago in the Fort Worth, Texas, area. The tanks went through many tests following a redesign to make them more aerodynamic.

The tanks were at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif., for low-speed and lightweight testing before coming here for high-speed and heavy-load testing in March. Testing should be completed by late June

or mid-July.

After the testing, officials said the conformal fuel tank F-16, which is the only one like it in the world, will return to Fort Worth to be fitted with fully functional fuel tanks. The plane should return to Eglin in October for further testing.

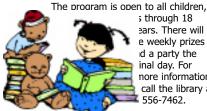
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New Air Force secretary outlines top three

By Staff Sgt. Amy Parr Air Force Print New

WASHINGTON -- He began his military career with the Navy and after 23 years retired as a captain. Now, as he starts his journey with the Air Force, Dr. James G. Roche said his military time brings advantages and disadvantages to his job as Air Force secretary.

The culture I come from is a naval culture, with its traditions," he said. "It's not the culture of the Army or the Army Air Corps that led to the Air Force.

"On the other hand, I bring knowledge of another service," he said. "I've worked in business around the Air Force for the last 17 years. What I do bring to the job is the understanding of a military warrior culture and the business

The former aerospace executive and Harvard Business School graduate said he brings to the job "the understanding of dependence all of us have on our technicians, our enlisted base. I bring an understanding of national policy ... of what it means to be an officer and a gentleman, and what it means to be a dedicated airman and a sailor."

As he takes office, Roche said he has three goals in the areas of strategy, careers and equipment, respectively.

"My first goal is clearly to work with the Air Force leadership to develop a strategy that is consistent with that of Secretary (of Defense Donald) Rumsfeld and President Bush for this era," he said. "We're in a new century, a new millennium, and it's appropriate to step back and take a look at what we're doing, where we're going and what our role is combined with the other forces."

"We can never win a war solely as an air force. We can work with the other services --Army, Navy and Marines -- to jointly win a war," he said. "We have a key role to play, and understanding what that role is and making sure our colleagues in other services can depend

upon us is terribly important."

His second goal focuses on careers.

"There are airmen, both officer and enlisted, who are leaving (the Air Force) about the middle point of their careers," he said. "So, that means there's something about our career development program we can work on to make better. We want service in the Air Force to be fulfilling for people throughout their whole career, not just for part of it.'

The challenge is to make sure the Air Force has the talent it will need in the future, he

'We have to make sure a career as an airman is a wonderful career, something that someone wants to do, not a series of jobs they have to do," he said.

"Secondly, we've got to recognize the value of our longer-term airmen, our senior enlisted and our middle-grade officers and realize they have a wealth of corporate memory that we're going to have to retain and tap." He also said the Air Force must ensure its high-caliber people get the kind of equipment -- and support for the equipment -- that they deserve.

To better equip the Air Force, Roche said his third goal is to look at ways to be more efficient with staffs and overhead functions. He said he would also like to see more money moved to combat arms, making more funds available to repair materials and provide more spare parts.

However, "that's just not a matter of asking Congress for more money, it's also a matter of looking to see how we can improve our processes and be more efficient," he said.

Roche looks forward to meeting and working with the men and women of the Air Force and to the challenge ahead, he said.

"This is something I never thought I would do or be asked to do," he said. "This is going to be the high point of my career -- and I've had a very rich, fascinating career to date. But boy, this is something I wanted to do, and it's going to be great!"

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JOIN HANDS DAY: The volunteer center needs youth and adults interested in working with



nprofit organizaions to enhance the quality of life for the Pikes Community. Join Day is Saturday, is an established

national day of service for youth and adults to work together for the betterment of the community. Projects range from yard work and painting to sorting and collecting baby items. Volunteers can also help with a yard sale and a carnival fundraiser. To register for Join Hands Day call 575-4345, or call 1-800-VOL-UNTEER.

FAMILY CHILD CARE OPPORTUNITY: Family Child Care is an Air Force Program that allows military spouses an opportunity to supplement their family's income while caring for their own children in their licensed FCC home. Military spouses who provide child care, or who want to, can for other families' children for a total of more than 10 hours a week, on a regular basis. They must be licensed to provide care in on-base quarters. If you are interested in learning more about this career option and its professional development opportunities, call the FCC office at 556-4322.

USAFA WEEKEND HOURS: The family practice clinic will open on weekends and for convenience, the pharmacy will be open the same hours. Current hours are Saturdays, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., and Sundays, 1-4:30 p.m. The hours will change July 7 to Saturdays, 8 a.m-2 p.m., and Sundays, 8 a.m.-noon. For appointments, call 333-CARE (2273). This is the same number used for active duty sick call appointments.

INVESTMENT SEMINAR: There will be an investment seminar July 17 and 19, 1-4 p.m. The topics of discussion will be understanding mutual funds and exchange traded funds, taxes, expense ratios, loads and no loads. The instructor will be Professor James Agresta. The seminar will be held in Building 350, Suite 107. Call 556-6141 to register.

CADET SPONSORSHIP: The Air Force Academy's sponsorship program needs potential sponsors. Sponsor families help newly appointed cadets adjust to the area and to school. Sponsors can be active duty or retired military, or civilians. Active duty and retired military sponsors must be at least an E-7 or O-3 and above. Federal civilian employees must be GS-7 or above. Members of the surrounding communities may also become sponsors by submitting three letters: one letter with family background information and two letters of recommendation from either a work, neighborhood or community source. All three letters must be submitted to Cadet Sponsorship Program, 2302 Cadet Drive, Suite 12, USAFA, CO 80840. For more information, call Dennis Mitchell or Mary Bice at 333-2727 or 333-3477.

RED CROSS VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNI-TIES: The Red Cross needs volunteers for the Peterson AFB clinic and the Air Force Academy hospital. Volunteers will be trained, so no experience is necessary. Financial assistance for child care is available for volunteers with children. For more information, call 556-7590 between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

ARMED SERVICES YMCA FATHER'S DAY PICNIC: The Armed Services YMCA of the Pikes Peak Region will hold a Father's Day picnic Sunday 12:30-2:30 p.m. The event will be held at the Fountain/Fort Carson Sports Complex at 900 Jimmy Camp Rd., Fountain. The ASYMCA Father's Day Picnic is free and open to all military fathers and their families. The menu includes hot dogs and hamburgers, and activities include a pool party and outdoor games for the kids. Reservations are required. Call 393-9620, ext. 130, for reservations or for more information.

Civilian Personnel Flight

CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE HEALTH BENE-FIT SERVICE DAY: Representatives from Blue Cross/Blue Shield, AETNA U.S Healthcare, Government Employees Health Association, Pacificare of Colorado and Kaiser Permanente, will be available to meet with Peterson Complex civilian employees to discuss questions or concerns regarding health insurance coverage. Appointments are not required. Representatives will be available Wednesday in the civilian personnel office training room from 9-10:30 a.m. For more information, call Beverly Sagapolutele, 556-7073.

OPEN FORUM DISCUSSIONS: The Civilian Personnel Flight will host open forum discussions for all Peterson Complex civilian employees and supervisors of civilians at the officers' club ballroom June 28, 8-10 a.m., and 2-4 p.m. All Peterson Complex civilian employees and supervisors are encouraged to attend. Seating will be first come, first served, with a maximum of 200 seats available. Discussion topics will be "Family Friendly Programs" including provisions of the family medical leave act, leave without pay entitlements, family care/bereavement provisions, absence for child birth or infant care, voluntary leave transfer program provisions and "on-line' sources for civilian personnel program information. The purpose of the open forum discussion is to provide updates on the various leave program entitlements and provisions, as well as providing a handout containing information source references. For more information, call Bill Bartlow at 556-6557 or Theresa Dickson at 556-9231

Family Support Center 556-6141

Classes are held in the family support center classroom, 135 Dover Street, Building. 350, Room 1016, unless otherwise specified. Registration is required for all FSC classes. To register, call the FSC at 556-6141 or stop by the FSC classroom.

JOB ORIENTATION: For an overview of the local job market and a look at how family support can help with your job search, sign up for this orientation offered Thursday or June 28, 1-2:30 p.m.

CAREER MARKETING: There will be a workshop on conducting an effective job search, writing a competitive resume, and interviewing effectively. The class will be held June 21. 8 a.m.- noon.

RESUME REVIEW CLASS: There will be a resume writing class June 26, 9-11 a.m. To take full advantage of this class you must bring a draft copy of your resume. The employment team will coach you on ways to improve your product in order to secure the job you have targeted.

MARKETING YOURSELF FOR A SEC-OND CAREER: This is a free, two-hour professional lecture for officers and senior non-commissioned officers who plan to leave the service within the next five years. The event is scheduled for June 25, 9-11:30 a.m., at the enlisted club. Spouses are also invited. Learn about competition of finding a job, perceptions civilian employers have of military personnel, a plan for your job search, resume cover letters, broadcast letters, as well as how employers read your resume, networking and penetrating the hidden job market, preparing for and conducting a successful interview, salary negotiations and benefit packages, and rejection.

BUNDLES FOR BABIES: If you are a pregnant Air Force active-duty member or pregnant spouse of an Air Force active-duty member or pregnant spouse of an Air Force active-duty member, you are invited to attend the Bundles for Babies class Tuesday, 1-3 p.m. Learn about budgeting for a baby and how to calm a baby. All eligible members will receive a special gift compliments of Air Force Aid. Dads are encouraged to attend.

Community Activities Center 556-7671

SUMMER READING PROGRAM: This program is open to all children, infant through 18 years. If your children are too small to read. you can read to them and enable them to become better readers. There will be weekly prizes and a party will be held the final day. For details, call the library at 556-7462.

NAF RESALE STORE: The NAF resale store is open for business Tuesday-Thursday, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., at Building 675 (outdoor recreation). The store has no telephone number. You must visit the store to see and purchase any merchandise.

WINE TASTING AT CREEKSIDE CEL-LARS: A trip is planned to taste wine at Creekside Cellars Saturday. Those participating in the trip can sample Cabernet Franc, Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Lake Haus Vintage Port, Black Muscat Port and others at the Evergreen vintner. There is an italian deli where visitors can eat lunch. To register at the CAC by Thursday, call 556-7671.

MOUNT RUSHMORE TRIP: Take a trip to see Mount Rushmore, S.D., and other national historical sites June 21-24. See Mt. Rushmore, Deadwood Crazy Horse Monument, Custer State Park and Sylvan Lake. The cost is \$275 per person (prices sub-



Youth Center 556-7220

NIGHT HOOPS: Night basketball for 13-18year-olds is Friday, 6-9 p.m., at the fitness center on court two. For more information, call the youth center.

FREE GOLF CLINIC: There will be a golf clinic June 18-22, 9 a.m.-noon. The ___

clinic is free. Call 556-7220 more information.

TEEN HORSE RID-ING: Horse riding is scheduled for Friday, 12 p.m.

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Call 556-4867 for details

join a shopping trip to the Chapel Hills Mall Monday. Shoppers will meet at the youth center and must have a permission slip from their parents.

Education Center 556-4064

COLORADO CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY:

Tom Boven, academic advisor, Colorado Christian University, is available at the base education office Thursdays, 1:30-4 p.m. He has previous experience with Air Force education programs and can discuss your CCU degree completion program. For more information, call him at 573-6166 for an appointment, or stop by his office Thursday.

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN COLORA-DO: USC is accepting registrations for summer classes. Additionally, two weekend classes (principles of management and creating and leading organizations) will be offered June 15. Call 574-3312 for more information or stop by the office at the educaSPACE OBSERVER Friday, June 15, 2001 **Feature**

Air Force members continue clean up efforts in Ellicott

A tornado ruined Memorial Day weekend for many residents of Ellicott, Colo., causing millions of dollars in damage and leaving many residents homeless. It took until May 30 for one tenacious resident to E-mail the base with an SOS.

Local Air Force units responded to the call for help, lending time and equipment to the clean-up effort.

"As of that Wednesday (May 30), nothing had been done to help the community in the aftermath of the tornado," said Master Sgt. Pat Hughes, 21st Space Wing Plans. "Several Air Force members, myself included, started organizing people in their units to provide whatever assistance they could," he added.

The 21st Services Squadron pitched in too. Members volunteered their time on a weekend to travel to Ellicott with a mobile kitchen trailer, where they served food to victims and volunteers.

Air Force members have participated in the massive clean-up efforts going on in Ellicott since May 30. Volunteers included members of the 21st SVS, 13th Air Support Operations Squadron, 50th Security Forces Squadron, 544th Information Operations Squadron, 21st Civil Engineer Squadron, 50th Operations Support Squadron, and 21st SW plans office

"It has been a gigantic

effort by all individuals involved. Air Force members volunteered their time and donated equipment, whatever they could to provide aid to the families and community of Ellicott," said Hughes. "They didn't do this to get praise or recognition, even though they deserve it. They volunteered because it was the right thing to do - people helping peo-

The clean-up effort isn't over and according to Hughes, Air Force members will continue to help the people of Ellicott until the job is done.



Photo by Master Sqt. Pat Hughes

Above: Members of the 13th Air Support Operations Squadron pick up trash and debris left by the Ellicott tornado.



Above: Natalia Andino, prepares food on the mobile kitchen trailer. Right: 21st Services Squadron personnel and family members serve food to victims and relief workers. From left to right are Roxana Andino, Senior Airman Rene Marvel, Airman 1st Class Damien Tucker and Natalia Andino



21st Services Squadron personnel and family members cook food on the mobile kitchen trailer From left to right are Airman 1st Class Melissa Frame, Esther Fuentes and Arturo Fuentes. Services volunteers served food to more than 300 tornado victims and relief workers.





Kevin Schmit, 21st Civil Engineer Squadron, scoops up the debris from a house damaged in the Ellicott tornado.

> Airman Jared Smith, 21st CES, watches as Schmit dumps the debris into a dumptruck.



Peterson volunteers for Monroe Elementary fun day



Above: Staff Sgt. Lachon Cunningham, Cheyenne Mountain Operations Center, explains the rules of the softball toss to Monroe Elementary students during the school's fun day June 6. Peterson Complex volunteers assisted the school with its fun day activities, which included 13 different events.





Staff Sgt. Larry Simpson, 721st Civil Engineer Squadron explains the rules of the grape-fruit relay to Monroe Elementary School students. The students formed teams and had to pass an grapefruit from person to person without using their hands.

Above: A Monroe Elementary School student participates in the grapefruit relay.

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5th SPSS NCOs trade stripes for bars



Courtesy photo

Three 5th Space Surveillance Squadron NCOs selected for commissioning programs pose for a photo with Lt. Col. John Raymond, 5th SPSS commander. From left to right are Raymond, Staff Sgt. Stephen Lyon, Tech. Sgt. Wesley Gilley and Staff Sgt. Tiffany Lyon.

The men and women of the 5th Space Surveillance Squadron have good reason to cheer. Roughly 10 percent of the squadron's NCOs were recently selected for commissioning programs. Tech. Sgt. Wesley Gilley, and Staff Sgts. Tiffany and Stephen Lyon will all finish 2002 as second lieutenants.

In March, Gilley was selected for officer training school. This program is designed to allow enlisted personnel who have completed or are near completion of their bachelor's degrees to apply for commissioning.

To be selected for OTS, Gilley had to take the Air Force Officer's Qualifying Test, and submit a package containing copies of his EPRs, college transcripts, a commander's recommendation letter and other pertinent information to Air Education and Training Command.

Gilley will attend an intense 12-week program at Maxwell AFB, Ala., that will test his ability to apply leadership lessons under stressful situations.

"I'm hoping my time as an enlisted member of the Air Force will help me adapt to the new challenges," Gilley said when asked about the 12-week basic training. After OTS, Gilley will be a second lieutenant and a space and missile officer.

The Lyons were chosen for the Professional Officers Course-Early Release Program. This is an ROTC program that allows enlisted members who are within two years of a bachelor's degree, or who want to complete a master's degree, to separate from the Air Force and enroll in a college ROTC program. The Lyons were both accepted under the new one-year program.

"Since we were already working on our master's degrees, this program is a great way to achieve two of our goals," Tiffany Lyon said. The Lyons will attend Embry Riddle University in Daytona Beach, Fla.

After the Lyons finish their year in Daytona Beach, they will attend a four-week field training session that will be a capstone to what they learned while attending ROTC classes.

Red Cross offers CPR classes

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NAME: Senior Airman Sean Stephenson UNIT: 721st Communications Squadron JOB TITLE: Integrated Tactical Warning and Attack Assessment System administrator/ evaluator

HOMETOWN: Tucson, Arizona **TIME IN SERVICE:** Five years

Senior Airman Stephenson is assigned to the Integrated Tactical Warning and Attack Assessment computer operations center of the computer systems flight. He is responsible for on-line operation, evaluation, and management of the NORAD ITW/AA air and missile warning systems, Global Command and Control System-NORAD. He ensures processing of time-critical command and control data for the commander-in-chief NORAD, national command authority, allied forces, and the nine unified commanders. He also oversees operating systems and applications software loading, sets up machine jobs, selects and utilizes magnetic media, and reconfigures systems to meet missile warning and air defense mission and training Stephenson takes appropriate console actions to complete program runs, direct input/output data, and assign/redirect peripher-dats. He monitors, analyzes, troubleshoots, performs fault isolation, and provides recommendations and solutions to solve computer resource deficiencies within the Cheyenne Mountain complex. He also safeguards classified material, develops and implements system subroutines to improve monitoring capabilities, and maintains security within the computer facility.

In addition, he is a member of the elite training team for the OAO contractors. His additional duties include savings bond monitor, Combined Federal Campaign representative, and flight cycle ergometry monitor.

Senior Airman Stephenson was named a 721st Communications Squadron super performer of the quarter.

He is currently enrolled in the Community College of the Air Force, completing a degree in information systems management. He is also an active participant in squadron intramural softball and basketball programs, and enjoys weight

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Spinning for health



Photo by Staff Sqt. Gino Mattorand

Cindy White, Peterson health and wellness center, leads a spin class on a challenging ride through an imaginary landscape. Spin classes are offered at the fitness center throughout the day, Monday through Friday.

Intramural softball standings

As of June 8

Thursday co-ed league

	Wins	Losses
1. 21 WS	2	0
2. HQ AFSPC	1	0
3. 21 CES	1	1
4. 10 MDG	0	1
5. Team Co	0	2
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Tuesday recreation league

	Wins	Losse
1. AFSPC	4	0
1. HQ AF/SC	4	0 🖣
3. 21 CES	2	1
3. 721 SFS	2	1
5. 721 COM	2	2
5. 721 CES	2	2
5. Det 4	2	2
5. 84 ALF	2	2
9. 21 OSS	1	2
9. 21 MSS	1	2
11. HQ AF/BA	0	2
12. 21 SFS	0	4
12. J5	0	4

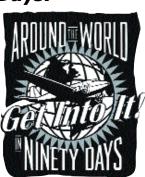
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	Wins	Loss
1. 10 MDG	5	0
2. AFMC	4	0
2. J2	4	0
4. 11 SWS	4	1
5. 21SFS	3	2
5. 21SW	3	2
5. 1CACS	3	2
8. NORAD	2	3
8. 21 CS	2	3
10. 302		1
11. 21SVS	1	4
11. ARMY	0	3
11. 76 SPCS	0	3
11. HQ AF/SC	1	4
11. HQAFSPC	1	4



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Cheyenne Mountain
AFS softball tournamentCheyenne Mountain will host a softball tournament Monday through Thursday. The entry fee is \$20 per team. Call Senior Airman Bonnie Miller at 556-1515 for more information

Shuffleboard tournament - There will be a shuffle board tournament June 27-29. There is no entry fee. Participants must sign up by June 25. Call Senior Airman Bonnie Miller at 556-1515 to sign up.

Weekend Bash softball tournament - The 13th Annual "Weekend Bash" Softball Tournament will be June 23-24 in Tucson, Ariz. The top four teams will receive awards. Tournament champions will have their choice of new gloves or bats. For more information, contact Greg Manning at (520) 228-5478, DSN 228-5478.

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Soccer time

Marlon Chang, 21 SVS, takes aim at the Det 4 AFOTEC goal during intramural soccer action Wednesday. 21 SVS went on to win the game, 5-1